

**North Hampton Heritage Commission**

Meeting

January 18, 2007

Location: North Hampton Town Office, Heritage Conference Room

Commissioners Present:

Jenifer Landman, Chair

Jane Currivan, Vice-Chair

Penny Kidd, Secretary

Ben King, Alternate

Jane Palmer, Alternate

Commissioners Absent:

Donald Gould, Selectman

Carolyn Brooks, Treasurer

Paul Cuetara

The meeting was called to order at 9:40 a.m.

A. Treasurer Report & Brochure Printing Expense

Due to the absence of the Treasurer, a report was not given.

B. Minutes

Minutes for December 21, 2006 were reviewed. Motion to approve: Jane Palmer;  
Seconded by Ben King; followed by unanimous approval.

C. Report on Recreation Project Tour

The home on 3 Exeter Road, which is for sale, was toured by three members of the Heritage Commission, as the structure was built in 1857. The Town of North Hampton has been approached for the purchase of the property, possibility for expanding the recreation area at Dearbourn Park.

Deeds and other very old documents were there, some dating back to the early 1721. Priscilla Lovett of the North Hampton Historical Society was notified of these documents, in the event the Society would have an interest in reviewing these documents.

The barn was not toured, but the exterior indicated a question as to its integrity. The asking price for the property (about 14 acres) and structures is \$900,000. This includes a revenue-generating well, for which the water company has a long term lease with restrictions on the land surrounding the well. The Heritage Commission discussed the matter and decided not to restrict the sale of the house and/or barn, should the Town of North Hampton take up the option to buy it.

D. Famous People of North Hampton Project

A copy of the Charles m. Dale biographical summary will be made available to the Heritage Commissioners at the next meeting.

E. Town Hall committee status

Paul Cuetara, the Heritage Commission member of the Town Hall restoration project, was not in attendance, so discussion of this matter was postponed. The committee was to meet at 6:30 p.m. on this date, January 18, 2007.

F. NHF Suggestion of Brochure on Historical Farms

Chris Ganotis' article in the Hampton Union expressed interest in the Heritage Commission entertaining a project regarding the development of a brochure for the preservation of homes in North Hampton. While this might be an interesting project to undertake, no commitment by the Commissioners was made at this time. The Heritage Commission is currently involved in two other projects: the compilation of the brochures on Famous People of North Hampton and the documents of homes over 100 years old. Also a "milk run" brochure had been contemplated by the Commissioners.

G. Meeting Adjourned

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Penny Kidd